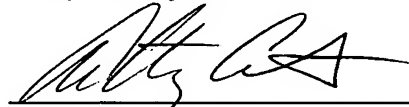


REMARKS

Applicant has rewritten portions of the specification, Claims 1, 3, 4 and added new claims 5-8 and abstract. The changes are shown with strikethrough for deleted matter and underlining for added matter. No new matter has been added as a result of this amendment. Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and seek an early allowance thereof. If for any reason the Examiner is unable to allow the application in the next Office Action and believes that a telephone interview would be helpful to resolve any remaining issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney or agent.

Respectfully submitted,



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Amendments to the Drawings are as follows:

The attached drawing sheet includes changes to Fig. 5. In Fig.5, previously omitted label PRIOR ART has been added. Applicants respectfully request that Fig. 5 be replaced with the corrected Fig. 5 enclosed herewith. The correction to the figure has been marked in red. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner approve the correction. Applicants will submit corrected formal drawings upon receiving a Notice of Allowance.